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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate
Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and LecStar Telecom, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.*
Docket No. 03-00449

Dear Chairman Tate:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, LecStar Telecom, Inc. and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated January 1, 2003. The Amendment amends the Notice provision in the Agreement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Guy M. Hicks

cc: Michael E. Britt, VP Regulatory Affairs, LecStar Telecom, Inc.

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and LecStar Telecom, Inc. Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. 03-00449

PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE
AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
AND LECSTAR TELECOM, INC.
PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, LecStar Telecom, Inc. ("LecStar") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated January 1, 2003 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, LecStar and BellSouth state the following:

1. LecStar and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to LecStar. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on July 21, 2003.
2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which amends the Notice provision in the Agreement. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, LecStar and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration

and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and LecStar within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. LecStar and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

LecStar and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 23rd day of July, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

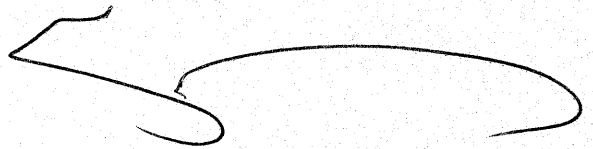
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the 21 day of May, 2003:

Michael E. Britt
VP Regulatory Affairs
LecStar Telecom, Inc.
4501 Circle 75 Parkway
Building D-4200
Atlanta, GA 30339



Guy M. Hicks

**Amendment to the Agreement
Between
LecStar Telecom, Inc.
and
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
Dated January 1, 2003**

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), LecStar Telecom, Inc. ("LecStar"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated January 1, 2003 ("Agreement") to be effective on the date of the last signature executing the Amendment.

WHEREAS, BellSouth and LecStar entered into the Agreement on January 1, 2003, and;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. The Notices section of the General Terms and Conditions, Section 21.1, will be modified to reflect an update to LecStar's contact and address information, as follows:

LecStar Telecom, Inc.

Michael E. Britt
V. P. Regulatory Affairs
4501 Circle 75 Parkway
Suite D-4200
Atlanta, GA 30339

2. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated January 1, 2003, shall remain in full force and effect.
3. Either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Amendment through their authorized representatives.

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

LecStar Telecom, Inc.

By: Pat C Fenwick

By: Michael E. Britt

Name: Patrick C. Fenwick

Name: MICHAEL E. BRITT

Title: Asst. Director

Title: V.P. REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Date: 6/6/03

Date: 5/22/03